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**The Business Improvement Districts (Miscellaneous)  
Regulations (Northern Ireland) 2014**

**Obtaining information from DFP for the purpose of developing BID proposals**

2.—(1) On receiving a request (made in accordance with paragraph (2)) from any person who is developing BID proposals, DFP shall—

- (a) prepare a document showing (as far as DFP is able to ascertain from its non-domestic rates records at that time) the name of each non-domestic ratepayer and the address, property type and rateable value of each relevant property which is occupied, or (if unoccupied) owned, by that person in the business improvement district; and
- (b) supply in data form a copy of the information in the document to the person developing the BID proposals.

(2) A request for information under paragraph (1) shall—

- (a) be made in writing to DFP;
- (b) confirm that the person making the request intends to make use of the information requested only for the purpose of developing the BID proposal described in the request;
- (c) provide a summary of the nature of the BID proposals to be developed;
- (d) describe the geographical extent of the business improvement district.

(3) A person to whom this section applies shall be guilty of an offence if they—

- (a) disclose any information supplied to that person under paragraph (1); or
- (b) make use of any such information,

otherwise than for the purpose of developing the BID proposal described in the request.

(4) A person guilty of an offence as mentioned in paragraph (3) is liable on summary conviction to a fine not exceeding level 5 on the standard scale.(1)

(5) In this regulation “data form” means information which is in a form which is capable of being processed by means of equipment operating automatically in response to instructions given for that purpose.